



Docket No.: 60188-641

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Koichi KAWASHIMA : Confirmation Number: 1760
Serial No.: 10/653,200 : Group Art Unit:
Filed: September 03, 2003 : Examiner:
For: PATTERN FORMATION METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Preliminary Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: